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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. Govt (4).

Part B for April 1924

SUBJECT

Permission to publish two papers "The National Democrat" in English, and "The Janmabhoomi" in Kannada.

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477. To The I.G. of Police,
The District Magistrate, Bangalore Dist.
Mr. S.R. Srinivasaraghavan.
No. 13493-5/- 84-4-1924
Permission granted. ——

JR
D. Boyalaswamy
30-4-1924

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | PP File No. 11 of 1923-24

Serial No. 42

From Mr S. R. Srinivasa Raghavan
Basavangudi, Bangalore -
Dt 12th Nov 1923

Applies for permission to publish two newspapers - "The National Democrat" in English & "The Janmabhumi" in Kannada.

Secretary's note on the appln :-
"To be Submitted to 1st Member".

The papers will, it is said, stand for the ideals of nationalism and democracy and every activity of the people and the Govt here and Elsewhere, will be viewed on its own merits and in the light of the ideals set forth above".

Usually, these applications are subd to the Member after obtaining a confl report on the character and antecedents from the Dist the applicant. Subd pro order with a draft calling for the same. In view of the objects avowed it does not appear to be desirable to grant permission

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Ch. Secy

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Secretary

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44 To The D. M. Bangalore Bt

D. O. No C. 8200 Bt 20.11.1923 through the S. P.

Calls for a report on the character and antecedents of Mr. S. R. Sreenivasa Raghavan.

To The S. P. & Police

No C. 8201 Bt 20.11.1923

Forwards a copy of the above for information.

54 From The S. P. & Police

No C1038/23 Bt 31.12.1923

Forwards the report of the Bt Magte Bangalore Bt re the grant of permission to Mr. S. R. Srinivasaraghavan to edit, print and publish "The National Demorat" and "The Janmabhumi".

The S. P. states that there appears to be no necessity to the paper.

Submd for orders.

2.1.1924 Jan Abbinapat

The D.M has said nothing definitely either way against the applicant. The D. S. P says that there appears

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[illegible] no necessity for the Papers. The Applicant happens to be a member of the Local Congress Committee. Though on account of the split in the Congress Committee he is said to have given up active connection with Congress affa

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1st Member).

Magh endorsed on April rendi always with Secretary's application.

DEWAN'S OFFICE. Recd. on JAN 23 1923 No. 5098

Secy 21/1 Daly

Dewan's Instt. to [illegible] by The Dewan Peishkar [illegible] 10 [illegible] 1923

Secretary's Office Chargeable is sent with necessary papers

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ROUTINE NOTES.

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DEWAN'S OFFICE
Read, on JAN 29 1924
Diary No. 5297

Extract of Dewan's Minute
P.P. file no 11 of 1924 re permiss
to publish the newspaper "Nation
Democrat" & "Janmabhumi":

"Please Explain why this
Confidential report of D.E.'s
sent amongst ordinary papers

Subd.

At the time it was last
submitted by me, which was on
24-1-1924, I had inserted at
Confidential card, and where
it had been marked to the 1st Memo
it was shown done by the Dewan
and I recollect having seen
card in the file. I had
further opportunity to see
file till it was given to me
on 29.1.24. The practice
unless stand, is
only "Strictly Confid
in boxes.

Dewan

Kindly instruct the Peshkar
All confl files
to obtain receipts in
K (confl). & the
send @ 6 mark.

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N. B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

WD 1850—GPB—1,50,000—2-5-23

Kindly
may extract the Remarks
of all the next Officers &
transmit the Returned Note
for guidance?
KG 31.1.24

Yes only 31/1

Noted KG
31/1/24

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Routine Notes.

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" जननी जन्मभूमिश्च स्वर्गादपि गरीयसी "

S. R. Sreenivasa Raghaavn M. A. (*Hons.*)

Journalist

"TILAKASRAM"
7th Road Basvangu
~~Malleswaram~~, Bangalore.

No. 75

Dated 3.12.24

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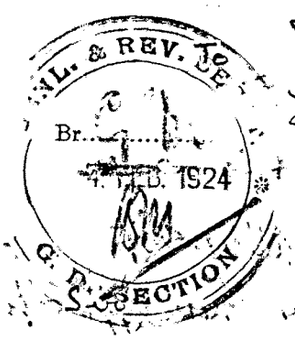

The Chief Secretary

to the Govt of H.H. the maharaja

of Mysore

Bangalore.

With reference to my application no 754 dt 12/12 for permission to edit certain papers & my subsequent reminder no 775 dt 24/12/24 I regret to observe I have not been favoured with any reply. I wanted to start business during the election period but I have been precluded from doing so owing to this delay. I do not know why such a purely formal matter should be kept pending. So long especially when I observe that persons with lesser status & lesser qualifications have already been accorded permission. I understand that the necessary police & magistrial inquiries have been finished long ago & that the matter is only pending with you. I will therefore be much obliged if the matter is expedited soon & permission granted at an early date. Thanking you,

I remain Sir,

Your most obedient servant

S.R. Sreenivasa Raghavn

N.B —Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

Draft submitted.
Asst 12.12.24.

6/12/24 (At Mysore)

13/12

To Mr: Srinivasa Raghavan, Letter no 754 dt 12.12.24 & 13.12.24

States that we will not be able to give a final reply till at

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Subject-

Application from Mr. S.R. Srinivas Raghavan, requesting permission to edit, print and publish an English weekly unde name of "The National Democrat" and a Ka weekly styled "The Janmabhumi".

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

Note
Permission may be granted by
3/4/24
Draft prepared.
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Draft for approval.

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To
The S.P. & Police
The D.M. Bangalore &
Mr. S.R. Srinivasaraghavan

No P 13493-5 Dt 4.4.1924

Grants permission to Mr. S.R. rinivasa Raghavan to edit, print and publ n English weekly styled "The National Democrat" and a Kannada weekly styl "The Janmabhumi".

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S. R. Sreenivasa Raghaavn M. A. (*Hons.*)

Journalist

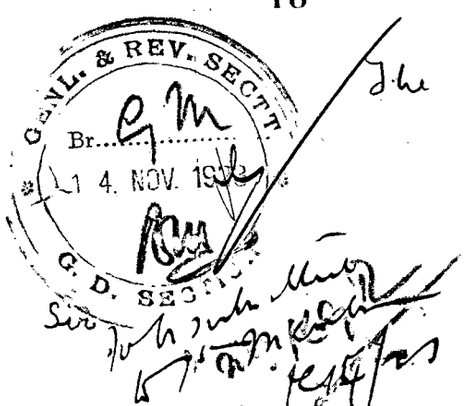
'TILAKASRAM', no 11 00, 7th
Baswangudi
~~Malleswaram~~, Bangalore.

No. 154

Dated 12th nov 1923

P.P. 11-23-4

To



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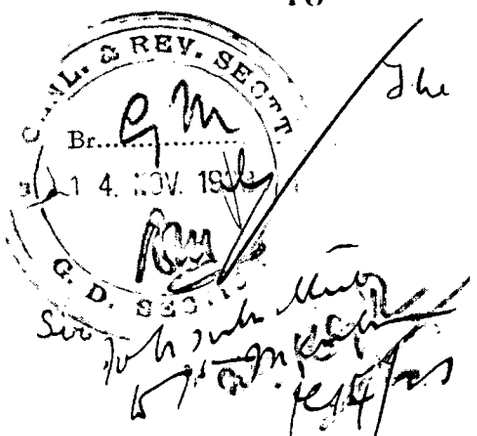

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brother of mine, Mr S. Rajagopala Aiyangar B.A. B.L is an advocate of the Chief Court. I myself for one year after my graduation was employed in the Comptroller's office, Bangalore. I then resigned my Service to take up national work

For the last two years & more, I have been a worker of Some prominence in many public movements of the State. I have been intimately connected with the national movement as also with the popular agitation in the matter of the Mysore Reforms.

The papers will Stand for the ideals of nationalism & Democracy & will be independent & popular organs of public opinion Every activity of the people & the Government, here & elsewhere, will be viewed on its own merits & in the light of the ideals Set forth above, & Condemned or Commended, as the case may be, without fear or favour. The immediate object will be to educate the people to utilise the Reforms for what they are worth So that only Such candidates are Sent to the Assembly & the Council as will fearlessly advocate the popular & national Cause.

I am financing my own undertaking. God has endowed me with a decent amount of fortune, which I want to invest in this public Cause & See that it Succeeds by working the Concern with economy & efficiency. After getting a favourable reply from the Government, I intend to instal a small press of my own adequate for my purposes.

Now that the Government are intending to repeal the Press Act, I hope the granting of licuse will be a formal affair only. If therefore permission is accorded by about the 1st week of next month, I will be in a position to Start the papers on 1st January 1924.

I remain, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

S. R. Srinivasa Raghavan.

जननी जन्मभूमिश्च स्वर्गादपि गरीयसी ''

S. R. Sreenivasa Raghaavn M. A. (*Hons.*)

Journalist

'TILAKASRAM

Malleswaram, Bangalore.

No.

Dated

To

Confidential.

(11)

General & Revenue Secretariat,

Bangalore, 20/11/39.

G. 8200

P.P 11-23-44

Dear Sir,

(Through the D.C.B.

I am desired to request you to kindly furnish Government with a confidential report on the character and antecedents of one Mr. S. R. Sreenivasa Raghavan of "Tilaknam", No 1100, VII Road Basavangudi, Bangalore, *who has applied for permission under the Mysore Newspapers Regulation, III of 1908, to edit, print and publish an* English weekly under the name of "The National Democrat" and a Kannada weekly styles "The Janmabhumi".

2. I am to request that, instead of, or in addition to, any enquiry by the Superintendent of Police or other subordinate officers, you may send for the applicant and personally interview him so that you may be able to form an idea of the merits or defects of the applicant and so that any misstatements in other reports may have a chance of being corrected.

3. An early reply is requested.

Yours sincerely,

B. V Subbarao Esq
Dist. Supdt, B'lore

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G. 8201/20/11/39 Copy of the above is forwarded with compts to the D.C. of Police in Mysore for information.

By order

for Chief Sec.

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Confidential

No.D.C.194/23-24.

Encl. Two.

Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Dated Bangalore, 20th December 1923.

P.P. 11-23-54

Dear Sir,

In enclosing herein a copy of confidential D.O.No.C.8200/P.P.11-23-44 dated 20th November 1923 from the Chief Secretary to Government asking for a confidential report through you as regards the character and antecedents of one Mr.S.R.Srinivasa Raghavan, who has applied for permission under the Mysore Newspapers Regulation to edit, print and publish an English Weekly under the name of "The National Democrat" and a Kannada Weekly styled "The Janmabhumi", I write to inform you that I met Mr. Srinivasa Raghavan by appointment today in the District Office. He says he will raise money himself and carry on the publication of his papers as independent organs of public opinion, differing from the Congress or supporting the Congress according to the merits of each case. He says he mentioned all the points to the Chief Secretary. A copy of the report from the District Superintendent of Police is enclosed. From the report of the C.Division Inspector Mr. Poornachar, it may be seen that the applicant was a prominent member of the local Congress Committee. He is still a member of the Congress.

Yours sincerely,

B Lakshmana Rao

To

P. F. Bowring, Esq., J.P.,
Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

Confidential C.1038/23 & 31.12.23

Forwarded with Compts:
Have always
to be heard
26/12/23

P.F. Bowring
I.G.P.

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D.O.letter No.G.8200/P.P.II-23-44 dated 20th Nov. 1923 from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore, to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist.

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P.T.O.

[illegible] reply to Registrar.

Copy

[signature]

District Registrar to, Barcelona Dist.

No.498. Submitted.

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Held confidential enquiries about the gentleman referred to above. He is a young man of about 30 years, son of the late Advocate Mr. Srirangam Ramaswamiengar of Bangalore, who died in 1899. Though they are natives of Srirangam they have come and settled here for the last 5 generations. Mr. Srinivasa Raghavan is an M.A.(Honours) of the Madras University, was once an employee in the Comptroller's Office on Rs.70/- and resigned that place in 1920. He is said to have some lands in Salem District paying an assessment of about Rs.70 and cash to the extent of Rs.8,000/- which he has lent out for interest. He is for the present a Journalist and correspondent to the "Daily Express" and is said to be occasionally contributing articles to other papers also. His income is said to be about Rs.100 from lands and cash transactions and Rs.100 from Journalism. He is said to be related to Messrs. S. Srinivasa Iyengar (retired) and S.Tirumalachar, Assistant Secretary of the Secretariat and also to Mr. S. Rajagopalachar, Advocate. He was one of the leading and active members of the Congress Committee in the State and was a Joint Secretary till a couple of months back to the same. He was one of the gentlemen against whom an order under Section 144 C.P.C had been passed by the District Magistrate recently. On account of some split among the present office bearers of the Committee on the one side and the ex-office bearers and the Congress volunteers on the other, he is said to have given up his active connection with the Congress affairs for the time being though he is still an ordinary member. He is one of the leading members of the latter party in the split. In other respects the character and antecedents of the gentleman are reported to be good.

The papers proposed to be edited by him are said to be independent organs of public opinion dealing with all matters of public importance -political and non-political- of both inside outside the State with special preference to the Mysore State politics. They are said to be financed by the gentleman himself and run

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SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 13/2/24

Signed by Mr. C. S. Rajagopalaswami Iyengar.

Section C-B

File No.

Serial No.

No. 2645/C.B.

To

S. R. Srinivasa Raghavan Esq, M.C.

Journalist, Basavanguri

Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to the ~~correspondence ending with~~ your letter No 75 dated the 4th Feb. 24 ~~requesting~~ praying for permission to edit & publish his newspaper, I am directed to state that the matter is under consideration and that it will not be possible to give a final reply till after April next.

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SUBJECT .....

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Section. P.P
File No. 11-23
Serial No. 77

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

( ) to

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Date of issue 4.4.24

Signed by Mr. C.S.K.

No. G 13493-5

Whereas an application dated the 17th November 23 has been made under Section 2 of the Mysore Newspapers Regulation, III of 1908, by Sri S.R. Srinivasa Raghavan M.A (Hons), Tilak Vasalu Bangalore City to edit, print and publish within the Territories of Mysore the an English weekly called "The National Democrat" and a Kannada weekly called "The Janmabhumi"

In exercise of the power conferred by the said section of the said Regulation, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to grant permission to the said Sri Srinivasa Raghavan

to edit, print and publish the said weekly called "The National Democrat" and "The Janmabhumi" within the said Territories.

By Order,

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for Ch. Secretary to Govt.

To

The D.G. of Police

The Dist. Magistrate

Mr. S.R. Srinivasa Ga